University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire

University Liberal Education Committee
Monday, November 25, 2013
Council Oak 260, Davies Center

Guests: D. Baker, M. Cassidy, J. Fager, L. Kieffer, J. Pratt, L. Young, G. Scukane

Presiding: M. Goulet, Chair

Convened: 2:03 PM

Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of minutes of November 18, 2013
   - Motion to approve, seconded, approved as distributed

2. Announcements
   - Marc will send out a document aimed at faculty participating in new-LE-rubric pilots – committee members should look it over and get back to Marc before the next meeting.
   - Consider the following:
     . What we can expect for colleagues participating in the pilot project
     . Documenting changes to rubrics/assignments may be part of piloting
     . Some rubrics’ lack of language clarity will not be obvious till people actually use it
     . Pilot faculty expected to participate in appropriate CETL Community of Practice

3. Procedural discussion
   - Motion to specify that ULEC needs to see specific references to elements of the rubrics in the course applications (motion made by A Stombaugh, seconded by B Miller)
     . Discussion can we use these rubrics to approve or not approve them?
     . Let’s not ask faculty for something we have not specifically solicited on the form
     . Some feel we should cleave to the part that’s certain, not the changing part
     . Some feel that we should apply rubrics even if flawed because it’s simpler to approve
     . Use outcomes as significant guide, and rubrics as a “little guide” not making of them more than they are
     . We should be cautious about applying rubrics that have not yet been mapped to a single course
     . What if you can’t map to all the elements
   - Discussion suspended as a courtesy to members who had to leave for teaching

4. Motion to adjourn

Adjourned at: 2:52 PM
Submitted by: M. Wood
Approved: 12.9.13